

Hardware

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System Design Considerations

- Reliable
- Affordable
- Modular
- Scalable
- High Performance
- Storage. Lots of Storage

Proposed Hardware Configurations

● Server

- Commodity hardware
- Compatible with either storage solution
- High Availability Design

● Storage systems

- Fiber Channel SAN
- Direct Attached SATA Drives

Servers

- Rack Mount
- Hardware RAID
- Redundant Power
- Fault Tolerant

Fiber Channel SAN

- Flexible
- Very high performance
- Highly available
- SAN controllers provide many useful features for a system like this
- Expensive Infrastructure
 - Switches, Controllers, Disks, etc
- Volume size limited by the OS

Direct Attached SATA

- Inexpensive high performance drives
- Inexpensive controllers
- Systems must be sized properly at time of purchase
- Not as flexible as SAN
- Volume size limited to disk capacity of SATA enclosure

System Design

- Highly Available Servers with Direct Attached SATA Drives
 - RAID controllers with RAID 5 arrays
 - Multiple RAID 5 arrays configured in a stripe set at the OS level

Procurement

● New systems have to be purchased with each Data Release

- Two machines (ATA based) have been purchased to serve DR2
- Two machines (SATA based) have been purchased to load data for DR3 and DR4
- Two machines will have to be purchased to serve DR3

Procurement

- Two machines will have to be purchased to load and serve DR5
- The SATA based machines used to load DR3 and DR4 will be used to serve DR4
- Any additional data (re)processing that needs to occur during the DR5 load will require an additional purchase

Support

● CD/CSS/CSI will assist SDSS with the following:

- Configuring external monitoring (with automatic fault notification) of systems serving the current data release to the public and collaborators
- Configuring servers for maximum performance and availability
- System monitoring

Support

- Systems serving the current data release to the public will be supported on a 24 by 7 basis (assuming similar hardware support) by CSI on call personnel
- Problems will be addressed within 8 hours and resolved (within our capabilities) within 24 hours

Support

- Systems serving data to the collaboration and the older public releases will be supported 9 to 5 by 5
- Problems will be addressed within 24 hours and resolved (within our capabilities) within 48 hours

Summary

- Future Hardware Needs – current plan
 - 2 - DR3 Servers (place order March 2004)
 - 2 - DR5 Servers (place order Fall 2004)
- Runs Database Support
 - 3 additional servers
 - Data loading
 - Collaboration Server
 - Warm backup for served data
 - Servers cost ~12,500.00 each